

Important Announcement

First, here is something every pastor in the church out to have. It is "The Pastor's Pocket Record," by Sylvanus Stall, a new and revised edition of that which has been for the past 15 years the Standard Record for the use of ministers. Printed headings and special ruled, affording space for recording of 84 church officers, 619 members, and 5,679 pastoral calls directly opposite; 42 communion seasons, 138 baptisms, 84 marriages, 105 funerals, 173 sermons, 63 addresses, 168 new members, besides 10 other departments. New edition (just out,) revised and corrected by the author to date. New side stamp in gold. Exquisitely bound in flexible Morocco (pocket-book style) for the pocket. The price of the book is 75 cents prepaid. To any pastor who will send us *two* new subscribers, or *five* renewal subscribers, accompanied by the cash, we will send the book free prepaid. This is a most liberal offer.

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Items of Interest

—"The human race is divided into two classes," said Oliver Wendell Holmes, "those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit and inquire, 'Why it wasn't done the other way?'"

—The most extensive cemetery in Europe is that at Rome, in which over 6,000,000 human beings have been interred.

—The oldest rosebush in the world is at Hildenheim, Germany. Charlemagne planted it more than 1,100 years ago, in commemoration of the embassy received from Haroun al Raschid, the Caliph.

—Following upon the act of Congress, greatly reducing the number of crimes subject to the death penalty in the federal courts, Colorado has abolished the death penalty altogether. It had previously been abolished in several other states.

—The wheat king of the world resides in Argentina. He is an Italian emigrant, named Guazone, and his broad acres are situated in the south of the province of Buenos Ayres. His crop occupies an area of 66,270 acres. He numbers his workmen by the thousand, and each one receives a certain share of the prophets. When his season's crop is harvested, he fills over 3 000 railway cars with the grain.

—The testimony of the most noted of modern gamblers as to the profits of his occupation should be regarded as good evidence. It goes a long way toward destroying such false statements as are contained in silly newspaper stories of wealth easily got at the gaming-table. This modern gamester of worldwide notoriety said: "Show me a gambler with a bank account. Show me one with a bit of real estate. You can't do it. If I had the money I wouldn't scour the earth for games to play. I'd stay right here."

—The shortest sermon on record was preached by an aged clergyman in Australia, who had been engaged to preach a charity sermon for some orphan children. On rising to deliver his discourse, he found his failing strength would not enable him to proceed as he had intended: so, turning to the audience and stretching his feeble arm over a group of the orphans, he addressed his congregation in these words: "Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat?" The sermon was short but to the point, and the words went to the hearts of the people, and resulted in a large collection.

—Miss Bradley, daughter of Governor Bradley of Kentucky, having been chosen to perform the ceremony of christening the new battleship *Kentucky*, soon to be launched, has wisely and heroically resolved to use a bottle of water instead of a bottle champagne, as has been the custom heretofore. In recogni-

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